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WD SETS CLOSING DATE FOR 30 JUNE!

KILROY WASN'T HERE . . .



... but T/4 Paul Gordon, Wd 39, marks the spot where Dibble's March of Dimes ended. He calculated that the ninety-odd dollars contributed here would stretch from the Red Cross to the PX candy counter.

CEA Throws Last Party

The DGH Civilian Employees' Association will present its Valentine to the post next Saturday, 16 February, as they sponsor a huge dance at Mills Hall. A special invitation has been extended to all military personnel on the post.

Red hearts will decorate the hall for the party, which, according to president Vera Underwood, will probably be the last social function for the Association.

GI PRIVILEGE: THE "L.R."

The hospital train lined up on the DGH spur has set off a string of juicy rumors, but Col Streit has the real explanation: "There were not enough tracks for storage of unused hospital cars in San Francisco, so the train is being stored here." That's all there is to it.

A Headache on 15 March? See The Affairs Officer

With 15 March not far away, the Personal Affairs office, Wd 22, has released its first bulletin on income taxes.

According to Lt Miller: "Under the current regulations, all military pay of enlisted men and warrant officers from 31 December 1940, to the end of the war is excluded from taxation. Thus all enlisted personnel and warrant officers have no income tax liability with respect to service pay. They need not file a return if they had no other income. If tax has been paid on service pay it will be refunded; but claim for refund must be filed before 1 January 1947.

"For commissioned officers there is an exclusion of \$1500 on service pay, in addition (Continued on Page 8)

CO Releases Official Data; 360 EM Leave by April Disposal Still Unknown

June 30 has been set for the closing date of Dibble by the War Department, Col Paul Streit announced last week.

The statement by the Commanding Officer declared, "Whether the hospital will be placed on an inactive status or declared surplus is not known. At present, the in-hospital population is near an all time peak and it is expected to continue at this level through February and March."

At the same time, provision for discharge of 360 detachment men was announced. The eligibles will be released in two large groups, with high-pointers leaving first, through February and March. Col Streit stressed that "means must be found to care for the remaining wounded men who require surgery and treatment, and still permit the large majority of men now in service to return to civil life."

18 Army Hospitals Will Close by April

Fourteen additional Army General Hospitals, three annexes, and four convalescent hospitals will be closed by 31 March, 1946, according to The Surgeon General. Billings GH and Camp Butner GH will be released by 28 February.

Scheduled for closure by 31 March are: Camp Edwards GH, Mass.; Thomas M. England, Atlantic City, N. J.; McGuire, Richmond, Va.; Woodrow Wilson, Staunton, Va.; Northington, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; Fletcher, Cambridge, Ohio; Nichols, Louisville, Ky.; Vaughan, Hines, Ill.; Camp Carson GH, Colo.; Schick, Clinton, Iowa; McCloskey, Temple, Texas; Birmingham, Van Nuys, Calif.

Also to be closed by 31 March are the following convalescent hospitals: Camp Edwards, Mass.; Fort Story, Virginia Beach, Va.; Camp Carson, Colo.; and Mitchell, Camp Lockett, Calif.

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LEAVE POLITICS TO POLITICIANS?

The United Nations Organization is winding up its first conference. It has selected men to fill key positions and squared off to settle immediate problems which are an aftermath of the war.

The new world organization has outlawed war by a new kind of international law. So what?

Burglary's against the law. So is arson. So is murder—and hundreds of other crimes that are committed every day.

The United Nations Charter is good so far as it goes. But we—the people—have to go the remaining distance.

Law doesn't prevent. It merely defines. It tells us what is contrary to public ethics, morality of interest. Then it provides for punishment and counter-action.

Which means that, in the last analysis, keeping the peace will still be a matter of controlling national hatreds, ambitions and tempers. The responsibility still rests with each country (and the people who constitute it) to respect its neighbor's rights to life, liberty and three meals a day. The United Nations organization cannot magically produce lasting peace; any nation which is foolish enough can still start a war.

The boys who fought this war should be the leaders in efforts to banish the next one. They know what war is. They don't like it. Each can be a useful ambassador when he goes back to his home town, bringing the real story, the ugly story of war as it is.

It will be up to them to decide whether they'll go back to their old habits again, skipping the front page for the sports page, leaving "politics to politicians" . . . or whether they'll realize that all previous wars have really started because the people who eventually had to fight them either drove heedlessly into them or lazily left decisions up to others.

—Robert St. John

Refresher Courses Offered Army Docs

Twelve weeks of refresher training and fellowships in medical research are available to discharged medical officers according to announcements from The Surgeon General's Office.

Preparation for return to private practice with the latest knowledge of medical advances made during the war, is being offered in the fields of medicine, surgery, and neuropsychiatry, to all discharged doctors. Reserve Corps, National Guard and

AUS Medical Corps officers are eligible for this schooling, which will be given at Army hospitals until June 30, 1946.

Applications may be made through channels to the Surgeon General in the case of medical officers assigned to the Service, Ground, and Air Forces. Medical officers returning from overseas may make applications from Reception Stations or Separation Centers through the ASF Liaison Officer.

SEC'Y WALLACE GIVES VETS TIPS ON BUSINESS PITFALLS

Washington (ACS)—Each year between 300,000 and 500,000 new business are started in the U. S. with an equal number of cancelations because of stumbling blocks which can be avoided.

To help servicemen and women who plan to start out on their own, the Department of Commerce has prepared a guide for prospective businessmen.

The 30-page pamphlet, entitled "Establishing and Operating Your Own Business," carries a foreword by Secretary Wallace which warns that the pamphlet does not pretend to present all of the information essential to would-be proprietors, but "is only intended as an introduction to a search of all available information on the particular business that interests you."

Authors of the pamphlet in the department's Bureau of Domestic and Foreign Commerce give both the bright and dark sides of the picture. Included in the appendix is a check list of questions which prospective proprietors should answer for themselves before investing their savings.

French Doc Tours DGH

Capt Suzanne Valon, French Army medical officer, visited Dibble last week, as part of her two-month tour of ophthalmological centers in the U.S.

Capt Valon practiced medicine in Paris until the German invasion. With her husband, who had been condemned to death by the Vichy government, she escaped through the underground to England. She went to Africa with the first Free French division.

Chapel Services

PROTESTANT

Chaplain Claude E. Adams

Sunday: Music concert, 0930, worship service, 1000. Tuesday: Bible study and discussion, 1830. Thursday: Latter Day Saints meeting, 1930.

CATHOLIC

Chaplain Camille J. Chasse

Sunday: Masses, 0600, 1100. NP Section, 0900. Monday: Mass, novena and benediction, 1930. Mass, 1645. Tuesday: Mass, 0700. Wednesday: Mass, 1645. Thursday: Mass, 0700. Friday: Mass, 1645. Saturday: Mass, 1645. Confessions, 1900-2100. Confessions before and after each Mass.

JEWISH

Rabbi Emanuel Kumin

Thursday: Sabbath Service, 1900. Chaplains available for consultation at any time. Call Extension 299.

All personnel, military, and civilian, and their families and friends, are invited to attend the services of their choice.

GOD'S BEST BLESSINGS ON YOU!

Fights "Misunderstanding"



Blind Rehab Patient Has His Post-War Plans All Settled

One Dibble patient who has his post-war plans made is Pfc. Felix Botello, Wd 11. Botello lost his eyesight while serving with the 37th Division in the Philippines; he has been a patient in the DGH blind program for three months.

A native of Dallas, Texas, he has been interested in bettering relations between Americans and Mexican-American citizens since high school days. Now, armed with a typewriter and planning a GI Bill education, he intends to make a real study of the problem and what he can do to solve it.

"My association during childhood and later years were with Mexican people of the typically low economic level," the patient explains. "In high school, I associated with 'Anglo-Saxons' . . . visited their homes . . . observed their lives . . . I believe I know both sides of the story."

To carry out his personal battle against discrimination and prejudice, which he lays to misunderstanding, Botello plans to study law under the GI Bill. One of his first solutions to the adjustment problems of his fellow Mexican-Americans is a better opportunity for education. "Education is free," he grants, "but books and shoes are not."

The 21-year-old patient is currently expressing his views in a series of articles, which he plans to submit to various magazines. "I am not griping—I'm trying to give a better understanding to the groups involved in the problem."

No Brown Clothes for WACs

New York (CNS)—Discharged Waves are buying brown outfits for fall, a New York shop reports, but ex-Wacs will have none of it. "Wacs want black, green, yellow, blue—anything but brown," a store spokesman said.

Army Nurses Celebrate 45th Birthday; DGH Staff Earned Full Share of Awards

Col. Paul Streit, CO, paid tribute to the Army Nurses Corps and to the 190 members assigned to Dibble last week as the ANC celebrated its 45th anniversary. The releases read, "To our nurses . . . we cannot offer enough words of gratitude and praise . . ."

A check on records showed that DGH nurses had earned their full share of the 1458 awards made to their Corps during World War II. First Lt Grova-Nell Dickson won the Bronze Star for heroic achievement near Nettuno, Italy in 1944. One of the first nurses on the Anzio beachhead, she has five campaign stars.

Rey Band Fills Rec Hall; More "Names" Promised

Alvino Rey, his band and his vocalists played to capacity audiences in Rec Hall last Monday evening as they presented two complete programs for patients and personnel of Dibble. The first program included a coast to coast broadcast over Mutual Broadcasting System for Coco-Cola Spotlight Bands, which sponsored his appearance here.

Still in the "maybe" stage are other shows which may come to Dibble, according to Sgt Dick Degner, Special Services. These include a personal appearance by Joe E. Brown, the smash musical hit "Oklahoma", and a network broadcast of Jack Benny's program.

A ward tour appearance 29 January by Tallulah Bankhead highlighted entertainment brought to Dibble recently by Lt Don Linder, Special Services. Other shows included AFEC presentations of top Bay Area entertainers, a USO unit, a Hayloft Party sponsored by the Harmony Clan of Redwood City, and the All-Colored Revue presented by the Redwood City Kiwanas Club.

Let's Win the Peace

LEGION OF MERIT



Col Streit congratulates Capt Rubin on the award received for plastic development.



On Dibble's staff, now on terminal leave, is Capt Gladys Mealer, who was chief nurse of the hospital in the Corregidor tunnel. High tribute to Capt Mealer was paid by General Jonathan Wainwright, in a newspaper account of his experiences. Capt Hannah M. Brimer was awarded the Presidential Citation, and spent 39 months in the Pacific with two battle stars.

Lt Col Irene Bukky, Dibble's first chief nurse, was sent to France upon leaving Dibble and is now on terminal leave. Present chief nurse is Maj Margaret Hession, who recruited for her own unit in Boston.

First Lt Pauline Morin, who served 40 months in the Pacific, and has one campaign star, is top overseas veteran from the standpoint of time. First Lt Jessie S. Sorrells, who served 25 months in Africa, Sicily, and Italy, has five stars; Capt Margaret Foley, with 30 months in Africa, Sicily, Corsica and Italy, has four stars.

Others include Capts Cornelia W. Ayer, 34 months in Pacific; Chloe M. Cowling, 18 months in England and France, one star; Georgia E. Lessley, 23 months in Hawaii, France, Germany, one star; Mary R. Meehan, seven months in Australia; and Hester K. Maroney, 26 months Persian Gulf Command.

First Lts Helen M. Giroden, 26 months in Iceland and England; Tresa Grueter, 23 months in England; Hazel I. Snowden, 24 months Australia; Milly E. Smith, 14 months New Guinea, one star; Mary L. Martin, 35 months Pacific, one star; Pearl Brunken, 27 months in Persia, Sicily, Italy, France and Germany, two stars; Lelia Kemp, 30 months in India; Velma L. Nation, 38 months in Hawaii; Sylvia M. Clouser, nine months France, one star; Mary E. Leahy, nine months Pacific, two stars; Mary Brown, 16 months, New Hebrides; Irene Wertemberger, 15 months, Alaska; and Vivian Robinson, 36 months in Pacific, three stars.





All present and accounted for!

Oh Nurse!

Succumbing to the lure of the tropics, Eleanor Betts has departed for the Pacific via hospital ship . . . after spending many months in England and a few at Dibble . . . Helen Sinkiewisca isn't crossing her bridges (dental) til she comes to them . . . Special: who'll get the lush blue sweater "Red" Hanson is knitting so industriously . . . Calling Freeman, Jones and McGurk . . . please answer the phone yourself!

Travelog: A surenough Yankee from Gloucester, Mass. . . Capt Helen MacLean, Hospital Dietitian . . . overseas in '42 to Cairo . . . by way of Rio De Janeiro, Cape Town and Suez. Highlight in her tour of duty was the supervision of food for Roosevelt and his aides when they were in Egypt for the Teheran conference . . . She claims that Cairo was the cross-road of the world . . . some of the celebrities who showed up were Churchill, Mme Chiang, Jack Benny—and Kilroy.

The long and the short of it: Lts Ditman and Zufeldt give the gym a workout . . . Mary Mooney held open house in quarters before her terminal leave . . . to display her first civilian hat.

2½ Years Overseas Is Limit

Washington, (CNS)—A maximum of 2½ years has been set for overseas service by the WD except for generals, those who volunteer for a longer tour, and officers whose assignments are with Civil Affairs or Military Government.

The Wolf

by Sansone



WARDchatter

Rationing may be off on a lot of things, but Earl W. Minar, Wd 6, is one person who considers his time valuable, even while lying in bed. He gave Tallulah Bankhead notice when she approached him last week while on a personal tour of several wards: "I can only neck for an hour!" Monopolist!



But a fellow on Wd 6 was even more pressed for time. Right in the middle of a conversation with the charming actress, he suddenly glanced at his watch and paced off with the parting comment, "My gosh, I'm late for P.T." . . . The POFAM (Protective Order for Amateur Musicians) is gaining a new member in the budding Kreisler on Wd 11 who continues to practice his violin despite the protests of his "buddies."

"Sugar" Hahn, Wd 7, is one GI who has respect for rank. And 'tis said that he pays same to rank now ill on Wd 16 with his daily visits . . . "Penguin" Boothe, Wd 6, ran into the ocean at Half Moon Bay the other night with all his clothes on, and he didn't even have an excuse to do it.

Can't blame it on booze when the fellows on Wd 6 say they saw a white elephant. It's just Xeroform II, a gift from Goldsmith, Wd 8, to Lt Wimmer in the dressing room . . . Marian Vipond, Wd 24, says it's education he is after. But does it take two hours every day with that gorgeous blonde on the sunporch?

Prize scholar was blind rehab patient James DeLisle who recently left Wd 11 for Avon. Before leaving DGH, he completed a semester course in geometry at San Mateo Junior College with an average grade of 98.

Clearance Point For Officers

A Post Central Clearance Office was established in the Officers' Club last week, with Lt Douglas Guy in charge. Clearance of all duty officers, including nurses, departing from the post will be made through this office. Only personal clearance to be made is through Officers Mess. Patient officers' clearance will be obtained for the individual by the CO, Det of Patients, and personally from the Mess.



BOQ

By Don Wanna

One member of the BOQ isn't selling Dibble short . . . Capt Bill Schummers just bought a house . . . but band leader WOJG Mark Walker is leaving for the East to don civvys. . . .

Losing the old prison pallor . . . Capt Satory and the tennis boys looked like measles when they came from the courts' other day . . . A couple of the younger boarders find the evenings finer over Stanford way . . . Lt Ferderber almost made the jump from guitar player to band leader. . . .

Lt Mayhue . . . went for a walk recently with Bill Kelley and dog, Winnie. The dog came out best, but Mayhue's haven't quit barking yet . . . A six-foot-three-er to a diminutive visitor at the club dance: "Come, come, lieutenant, get up off your knees."

Capt Welling ushered a nice bit of fluff to the shindig . . . her first dive into civilian lace . . . Wish the cowboy who gallops through the corridors at 0645 would put rubbers on his horse. . . .

DGH Players Roast Ghost

The Dibble Radio Players will resume their spot on KDGH next Wednesday at 1900 with a new play and a new co-producer.

Lt John Reifsteck, Wd 1, working with T/4 Tommy Cooper, will plan the adaptation of H. G. Wells' "The Inexperienced Ghost". He replaces dischargee Cpl Roger Rooney. Cast of the variety hour includes patients, duty personnel and civilians.



WAC Wise

By Khaki-Wacky

First enlisted WAC to leave Dibble accounta points was Jean Sedillo. She tearfully (honest!) bade adieus and trained to Ft Des Moines a week ago . . . Battle casualties: "Monty" Marshall minus her tonsils . . . Lanting mysteriously succumbed after a LaHonda picnic . . . Mason swings her casted foot with style.

Color is crowding those OD lockers . . . now that some post parties invite "dress optional" . . . "Dove" Mulkins models a pale blue suit . . . ready for a furlough-wedding . . . Jan Hewitt ditto in a pink-and-satin bonnet worthy of Vogue.

Lois Clarke, sez rumors, is learning the ropes of first sergeantcy . . . All good li'l WACs are in bed by 2300 on Fridays now . . . while dreams of inspection dance in their heads . . . The major who visited Preuss at the Post Office last week was her poppa.

Double talk . . . Sergeant Sargent . . . Dib-WAC basket-ballers Jones, Morrow and Marlatt graduated to bars (the gold kind) this week . . . Ex-M/Sgt Fran Pelli-cier dropped by to give the gals a gander at her um-um civilian togs . . . Dolores Herrera ended her advice-to-the-lovelorn after two frustrated customers put her in the showers . . . fully dressed!

To A. Riley—hubba-hubba! While Dom-nitz furloughs, her NP job held down by new arrival Pat Ray . . . Helen Westmoreland giving the Motor Pool a bad time, or vice versa . . . Ask "Madame" Adams about her post-army plans . . . Terry Taylor's whizzing over the lockers in C-2 again . . . Ringers and Chesley are true to the end, as they plot a double wedding in the near future.

Dibble WACs Add Dozen Stripes

More stripes were added to WAC sleeves last week, with a dozen girls promoted to Tec-4. Gals who upped a grade were Luttermoser, Rummel, Sargent, Luttringer, Olson, Provencal, Ricker, Black, Hull, Lee Schultz and Quesinberry.

THE PAUSE . . .



WAC Peggy Casey wows Pic Kenneth Anderson with her new civvys at the Mills Hall shindig . . .

Medical OT's

"The army just ain't what it used to be," remarked the Old Sarge sadly, as he listened to a discussion in A-1 on the respective merits of Picasso and Rembrandt. "Why, in the old days, all the barracks talk you could hear was about —." Sorry Sarge, but the managing ed is a lady.

Seldom seen sights—A WAC (and a sergeant too) rolling her own cigarette in the mess hall after dinner. Had a lot of savvy and know-how. And then there was the day last week when more men than women were asking for nylons at the PX. Funny the effect rumors have on people.

Add new faces seen at the first three-graders table in ye olde hall of mess—two happily innocent WACs. But what is sauce for the goose are the EM living in the WAC-empty barracks.

A veritable collector of MOS numbers is Sgt McCarthy, in charge of the Dibble recruiting sub-station. During 15 years of service, he has acquired 21 different job classifications.

Male Call

by Milton Caniff, creator of "Terry and the Pirates"



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CIVIL Tongues

Might as well be spring—in the mess hall 'cause Cupid's given quite a few there a good, hefty shove altar-ward. Dottie Kent and Gordon Swanson were among the first of the knot-tiers, followed by Jerry Haas (ex-GI) and Betty Monahan. Similar doings are expected from the Ruby Methene-Det. Man Newall duo—ennyhoo, she has a ring, which is more than half the battle won.

Groovy—are QM girls now that their new bowling blouses have arrived—white with blue trim. They have the girls' names on the pocket and a large QM on the back. No excuse for the gals not to give out with some flashy bowling now.

Hubby, Hubby, is the theme of pert Myrtle Wood of Finance—she missed her Mister long enough so now she's taking off to personally welcome him home from service.

Smooth operator—is telephone center's hello gal, Jerry Gorham. She's hooked her man and leaves for home town, Modesto. He's an ex-gob and wedding will probably be next month.

Another ex-GI, now on Dibble civilian payroll is Willie Cole of CivPersonnel Office. His was the famous Americal Division, and he spent 26 months in the Pacific—22 of which he was S/Sgt . . . Cake and coffee filled guests at the informal shindig for Alzada Eaton of Civilian Personnel—she retired after 25 years with civil service.

Blind Bandman Beats Time

A peppy group of youngsters from Gilroy Union High School played a band concert for Dibble patients last week, directed by Edward Towner, who understands the problems of DGH eye patients more than most people.

Leader of the band for 15 years, Towner was completely blinded by illness last year. Finally recovering 50 per cent vision in one eye, he returned to his job with determination.

Dribblers' League Lead is Toppled With Three Losses

By T/Sgt Bob Wylie

Dibble basketball fortunes hit a rocky path as the Dribblers salvaged one win out of four games played during the past two weeks. They were scheduled to play Black and White Cabbies Thursday night, and will meet Palo Alto All-Stars next Monday evening.



The locals' win was a 26-23 defeat of Collins' Club in a Palo Alto Recreation League contest played on the hospital court 17 January. Collins' offense was weak, and coupled with the absence of several Dribbler regulars because of operations, produced a slow game. Hulse paced the local casabans with 9 points. Traveling to Stanford, the Dibble aces were nosed out by the Indian reserves 35-34 in a preliminary contest, 25 January.

The league's three-way tie for first place was broken 28 January when Auten's took the Dibble basketeers into camp at Palo Alto 43-25. Dibble's league fortunes hit another snag Thursday, 31 January, when Pan-American topped the locals in the Dibble gym 39-31. Wylie and Hulse shared scoring honors with 9 points apiece in one of the best-played games to be seen here.

No Stars For Victory Ribbon

Recent WD directives, stresses the Dibble AGF, point out that no Bronze Service Stars should be worn on World War II Victory Ribbons. Frequent violations have been noticed about the hospital.

STRIKE!



S Sgt Jacob McLean, Wd 6, socks the pins for the DGH Patients' team.

CINEMA

Fri 15 Feb—Cinderella Jones: Joan Leslie, Robert Alda, Julie Bishop

Sat 16 Feb—Abilene Town: Randolph Scott, Ann Dvorak

Sun-Mon 17-18 Feb—Because of Him: Deanna Durbin, Franchot Tone

Tues 19 Feb—The Return of Frank James: (Revival) Henry Fonda, Gene Tierney, Jackie Cooper

Thurs 21 Feb—Adventure of Marco Polo: Gary Cooper, Sigrid Gurie

Fri 22 Feb—Miss Susie Slagle's: Sonny Tufts, Veronica Lake

Sat 23 Feb—Col Effingham's Raid: Charles Coburn, Joan Bennett

Sun-Mon 24-25 Feb—The Sailor Takes A Wife: June Allyson, Robert Walker

Tues 26 Feb—I Ring Doorbells: Robert Shayne, Anne Gwynne

Thurs 28 Feb—Shock: Vincent Price, Lynn Bari

Fri 1 Mar—Tomorrow is Forever: Claudette Colbert, Orson Welles, George Brent

Nightly at 1815 and 2015, except Saturday, 1900 only. Closed Wednesdays. Attendance limited to military personnel and dependent member of their household, and civilians residing on post.

5 Wins Give DIB-WACs Tie For Bay League Championship

With five straight wins, the Dib-WAC basketball five romped into a tie with Camp Stoneman for the Bay Area League championship last week. Playoff will be at Dibble next week, with the final winner eligible for the Service Command conference.

Dib-WACs wound up their cage season with five wins, three losses, as they tromped Ft McDowell in a home game last Friday, 28 to 14. PT Shirley Morrow continued as high point forward, with smooth setups by Adriana Lanting and Jane Freeland.

In a fast-pass thriller at Ft Mason on 24 January, the Menlo maids copped 24 points against their opponents' 13. Close guarding by team captain Dulon Sargent, Dorothy McClure and Abbie Marlatt foiled many Masonite scoring attempts.

Ex-First Sgt Wants A Desk Job

New York (CNS)—The paper PM, which carries free want ads for job-seeking vets, recently ran this one: "Returning bombardier desires occupation less dangerous, equally entertaining." Another ad read: "Ex 1st Sgt desires position assistant to administrative exec or labor supervisor; capable handling personnel, compiling reports, time, labor conservation."

Med Supply Tops League With Last Friday Wins

Medical Supply coupled three victories over Surgery I with the Patients losses to forge into first place last Friday. Adams of the leaders posted a 593 series for top honors in games played 22 January. Other top keglers of games played 21 January to 1 February inclusive are:

Big ten bowlers—Men: McClean, Patients, 246; Fuller, Motor Pool, 234; Adams, Med Supply, 227; Littfin, Ind Serv, 206; Evanoff, R & E, 211; Petersen, Patients, 199; Ebright, Patients, 198; Cardella, Motor Pool, 196; Sampert, Med Supply, 196; Miller, Patients, 193. Women: Guerraro, Wacs, 181; Jones, Plastic Wd, 180; Aiken, Plastic Wd, 167; Wood, QM, 157; Burrows, O T, 155; Steele, QM, 155; Marozik, Med Supply, 154; Hewitt, Wacs, 153; Dittman, P T, 152; Gage, Surgery I, 152.

The ENT Clinic team gave a hint of upsets to come in the Dibble Bowling League when they took two games out of three from the powerful Patients five last week. With the aid of 173-per-game handicap, the ENT squad racked up its first league wins and handed the Patients their first losses.

Track!!!

Twenty patients will be off to the high Sierras next weekend, with two busses of skis, hostesses and plenty of chow. Special Services is sponsoring the party through the Red Cross.

A medical officer and two senior hostesses will accompany the group. Destination is the Long Barn, where ski equipment and boots may be rented for two days of outdoor fun.

"East-side, West-side" will be the theme of the Gay Nineties party at the Red Cross Rec Hall next Thursday. The Valentine Day event promises frivolous gals, a floor show, food and fun.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

TEAM	W	L
Med Supply	8	1
Patients	7	2
Phys Ther	6	3
Brace Shop	6	3
Ind Serv	6	3
Rec & Evac	5	4
Occup Ther	5	4
Post Eng	5	4
Eye Clinic	5	4
Plastic Wd	5	4
Q Master	4	5
Motor Pool	4	5
Surgery I	2	7
Wacs	2	7
E N T	2	7
Surgery II	0	9

WHAT HE LEARNED IN THE ARMY



Sgt Paul Doan checks his score on the General Educational Development test with Mr. Ledyard, Wd 22, before sending it to his high school for credit toward a diploma.

I & E Enroll Booms For Bay Schools

Info Ed had a boom in enrollment for off - post schools last week, with a high of 32 patients scheduled for courses at Gompers Trade School, San Francisco.

Four men enrolled for the California Labor School, even for studies at Palo Alto Evening School, and sixteen additional patients will study at San Mateo Junior College. Army transportation will carry the GI students to school, where they are slated to study subjects ranging from high school math to Diesel engines. Additional courses taught on the post include geometry, trigonometry, slide rule, English, photography and voice.

Patients may enroll at the Info Ed office, Wd 22. Many of the courses may be completed by mail if a surgery schedule interrupts attendance.

46 Divisions Call It Quits

Washington (CNS)—Half the Army's divisions and a third of the AAF have been inactivated as the result of demobilization. The War Department disclosed that 46 of the 89 divisions the Army had at peak strength have gone out of business, along with 5 of the 17 air forces. Five other air forces have been merged into one.

Infantry divisions disbanded are: 8th, 10th, 28th, 30th, 31st, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 41st, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 63rd, 65th, 66th, 69th, 70th, 75th, 76th, 79th, 95th, 87th, 91st, 92nd, 95th, 99th, 103rd, 104th, 106th, Americal.

Airborne divisions: 17th and 101st.

Armored: 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 16th.

New Medical Plan For Veterans

New York (CNS)—A plan by which vets may be treated by their own physicians, with the Veterans Administration paying the bills under a standardized schedule of fees, was approved by the Council of the Medical Society of the State of New York. The plan was tried successfully in Monmouth County, NJ, and is being tested in Michigan.

The program permits ex-servicemen to pick their physicians, and take necessary treatment, relieving VA hospitals and staff of their present overload.

Cartoon Contest for Patients

Men! Kin yuh draw? Can you move a pencil and have you something to laugh about—or even moan about? The PALO ALTO TIMES is offering a prize of \$10 for the best cartoon drawn by a DGH patient, with a second prize of \$5. Winning cartoons will be published in the TIMES.

The subject is optional—any phase of GI life, hospital antics, or reconversion. Cartoons should be drawn in black ink on white paper.

Mail or bring cartoons, with your name and ward number, to the DIBBLE DATA office, Wd 22. All entries must be in by 1500 Monday, 24 February.

The Sophisticats Swing Out

"Minutes of Music", presented on Monday-Wednesday-Friday noon spots, are jived out by a section of the 481st ASF Band dubbed the "Sophisticats".

S/Sgt Bob Porter, Cpl Harris Collier, Cpl John Manecke, Sgt Mike Dedischew and Cpl Don Ludwig give out with the noonday melodies. Sponsored by Special Services, the program plugs the Music Center, and is handled by Sgt Dick Degner, T/4 Tommy Cooper and Sgt Paul Doan.

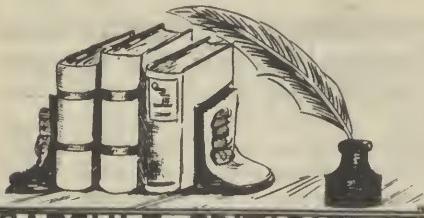
A SWAN SONG?

Aspiring Caruso's or Tibbetts'—or anyone who wants singing lessons—should contact Sgt Fred Swan, Educ Recon office, Wd 22. Voice lessons may be scheduled for every Monday, at any hour.

TALLULAH MEETS "UNCLE JIM"



Actress Bankhead paused in her ward rounds to clown with T/5 Jim McGill, Wd 5, and nephews Fred and Quentin.



CAPSULE CRITICISMS

by Harriet Arnold

In his new novel, *CASS TIMBERLANE*, Sinclair Lewis puts in the title role a sincere and honest man who at forty is district judge in Grand Republic, Minnesota. Cass, a grass widower, meets young Jinny Marshland in his courtroom, and there the plot begins. It is punctuated with stories of the married lives of Cass' friends—and a shabbier lot of husbands and wives you can hardly imagine. Best piece of writing in the book, we think, is his picture of a tiny black kitten becoming boss of a household by simple act of walking through the door. The story ends, not ala Lewis, but in the best Hollywood tradition. Also in his picture of the mythical but typical midwest city, Lewis seems to have grown mellower. For the Grand Republic which Cass loves is portrayed very differently from Gopher Prairie which Lewis made infamous in *MAIN STREET*.

For books-to-be-read-and-reread category, Capt Rubin suggests Merezhkovski's *Romance of Leonardo Da Vinci* . . . says he finds it more refreshing with each reading. Our own nominations include Paul Gallico's *The Snow Goose*, and Stephen Vincent Benet's *The Devil and Daniel Webster*.

Daphne duMaurier's trick of hinting at the outcome of her story in the opening chapter, then continuing to build up suspense to reach a dramatic conclusion, is repeated in her new novel, *The King's General*. The setting for this tale of love and strife is England during the Civil War. We can't wax enthusiastic, but most of our readers do.

Daisy's a cute little blonde trick, and she does too much at once . . . that much correspondence William Briggs learns from Daisy's husband, Navy flier James Boyden, when the two men meet in the Pacific. From her stray remarks and strange silences, and finally by a visit to Daisy herself back in the states, Briggs learns the complete story as told in John P. Marquand's new novel, *Repent in Haste*. The author makes it also the story of a typical war marriage in America. The satire is light, the punch line perfect—but there's more to this than meets the eye.

Lowdown on Civil Service

The lowdown on Civil Service jobs for GIs—qualifications, requirements, and types of positions now open—is available at the Info Ed office, Wd 22.

Shoe Business Offers Good Bet for Qualified Veterans

By Camp Newspaper Service

The shoe business is booming like it never boomed before, even in the inflated and prosperous '20s, according to Camp Newspaper Service's survey of employment prospects for veterans.

Wartime leather shortages cut the supply of footwear available to the public and made necessary production of inferior products because of lack of high quality materials. Now, however, shoe rationing is over and better quality leather and other materials are beginning to return to the market. The public is replacing wartime footgear, including GI shoes, as fast as it can.

According to information sources in the industry, "there is a much greater demand for shoes, particularly men's shoes, than there has ever been." And there's no reconversion problem.

As for shoe sales, vets without exper-

ience are advised not to open their own shops. It's difficult to make a success without suitable background. If you know what you're doing, that's another story; retail shoe stores are selling their merchandise as fast as they place it on their shelves.

MORE ON TAX HEADACHE

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tion to the normal exemptions given all taxpayers. While the income tax return must be filed on the date due, the payment of tax liability may be postponed and then paid in 12 installments covering a three-year period."

At a date to be announced, representatives from the Collector of Internal Revenue will be located in the Personal Affairs office to handle all tax problems.



It might as well be spring . . . 'cause there's no one we'd rather take . . . wading, than JUNE HAVER, 20th CENTURY FOX starlet.